Temporary licenses to vend arrack and toddy.

421. **Mr. C. A. Ouseph.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of special licenses issued by the Excise Department in 1101 licensing special or temporary shops to vend arrack and toddy on ceremonial and other occasions;

(b) the quantity of arrack and toddy vended in 1101 by the shops referred to in (a)?

Mr. V. B. Vaidyanatha Ayyar.—(a) 43.

(b) The information asked for cannot be furnished since accounts are not maintained in respect of such sales.

The amount of Land Revenue paid by the Tamil Brahmins.

422. **Mr. M. K. Raman.**—Will the Government be pleased to state the total amount of Land Revenue paid in the Cochin State by the Tamil Brahmin community alone in the year 1101?

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—Rs. 61,244-10-4.

The rent paid by Diwans for occupying the Iswaraseva Madhom.

423. **Mr. C. A. Kunjunni Raja.**—Will the Government be pleased to answer the following:—

(a) was any rent being collected from Diwans who were occupying Iswaraseva Madhom (ഈശ്വരസേവ മഠം) at Ernakulam;

(b) who were the Diwans who were paying rent for occupying the building;

(c) is the system of collecting rent continued during the last five years;

(d) what are the reasons why rent is not collected;

(e) what is the rent fixed for the building;

(f) to which department was the amount credited;

(g) what is the procedure adopted in collecting the rent;

(h) was any rent being collected from Trichur Residency building when occupied by Diwans Messrs. A. R. Banerji and J. W. Bhore?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) Diwan Mr. (now Sir) T. Vijayaraghavachari was paying rent for the building.

(b) Vide answer (a).

(c) No, except for the months in 1097 when Sir T. Vijayaraghavachari was in office.

(d) There is no liability on the occupier to pay rent.

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(e) No rent has been fixed.

(f) The Public Works Department.

(g) The amount was short-drawn from salary bills and adjusted to the P. W. D.

(h) Yes.

The condition of the well in Vannamadai.

424. **Mr. A. Eachara Menon.**—Will the Government be pleased to state if they have received any complaint from the people of Vannamadai or any report from the President of the Erutempati Panchayat regarding the dilapidated and insanitary condition of the only well that supplied sufficient drinking water for the inhabitants of Vannamadai?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Yes.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon.—Will the Government be pleased to state what it has done to repair the well referred to here?

Mr. I. Raman Menon.—Estimates have been called for.

The deputation of Mr. Neelakandha Menon and others for Police training.

425. **Mr. M. K. Raman.**—Will the Government be pleased to answer the following:—

(a) when was Mr. P. Neelakandha Menon, B. A., Bar-at-Law, deputed for Police training;

(b) what period of time was he so deputed for;

(c) has it expired now; if so, when;

(d) what was the pay that he was drawing when he was deputed;

(e) what pay is he now drawing;

(f) why is he not recalled and put into service;

(g) has the Government recalled the other 2 gentlemen who were also sent for Police training along with Mr. P. Neelakandha Menon?

Mr. Sheik Abdul Qadir Sahib Bahadur.—(a) From 2nd November 1925.

(b) Fourteen months.

(c) The period of training has been extended from 1st January 1927 to 23rd February 1927.

(d) Rs. 285.

(e) Rs. 300.

(f) The question does not arise in view of the answer to part (c).

(g) They were sent back when the period of their training was over.

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